

Second Sunday after Christmas

January 4, 2026, 10 a.m.

Holy Eucharist

Welcome to Trinity!

Whether this has been your church home for many years, or this is your first time visiting us, we hope you feel at home here. If you are new or visiting, please fill out the Welcome Card in your pew and put it in the offertory plate or hand it to an usher.

This bulletin is designed for use with the Book of Common Prayer. Text in **bold** is read aloud by the congregation. Text in *italics* provides directions or details. Unless otherwise indicated, hymns can be found in the 1982 Hymnal.



Prelude

Opening Hymn 124 (vs. 1-4) What star is there

Puer nobis

Opening Acclamation

BCP 355

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn 124 (vs. 5)

What star is there

Puer nobis

To God the Father, heavenly Light,
To Christ, revealed in earthly night,
To God the Holy Ghost
We raise our equal and unceasing praise.

The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, who wonderfully created, and yet more wonderfully restored, the dignity of human nature: Grant that we may share the divine life of him who humbled himself to share our humanity, your Son Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

First Lesson

Jeremiah 31:7-14

The people sit

Thus says the LORD:

Sing aloud with gladness for Jacob, and raise shouts for the chief of the nations; proclaim, give praise, and say, "Save, O LORD, your people, the remnant of Israel." See, I am going to bring them from the land of the north, and gather them from the farthest parts of the earth, among them the blind and the lame, those with child and those in labor, together; a great company, they shall return here.

With weeping they shall come, and with consolations I will lead them back, I will let them walk by brooks of water, in a straight path in which they shall not stumble; for I have become a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn. Hear the word of the LORD, O nations, and declare it in the coastlands far away; say, "He who scattered Israel will gather him, and will keep him as a shepherd a flock." For the LORD has ransomed Jacob, and has redeemed him from hands too strong for him.

They shall come and sing aloud on the height of Zion, and they shall be radiant over the goodness of the LORD, over the grain, the wine, and the oil, and over the young of the flock and the herd; their life shall become like a watered garden, and they shall never languish again. Then shall the young women rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old shall be merry. I will turn their mourning into joy, I will comfort them, and give them gladness for sorrow. I will give the priests their fill of fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my bounty, says the LORD.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 84: 1-6 *sung by the choir*

- 1 How dear to me is your dwelling, O LORD of hosts! *
My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the LORD;
my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- 2 The sparrow has found her a house and the swallow a nest where she
may lay her young; *
by the side of your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.
- 3 Happy are they who dwell in your house! *
they will always be praising you.
- 4 Happy are the people whose strength is in you! *
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims' way.
- 5 Those who go through the desolate valley will find it a place of springs,*
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.
- 6 They will climb from height to height, *
and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.

Second Lesson

Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-19a

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The people stand for the Gradual Hymn and the reading of the Gospel

Hymn 128 (vs. 1-3)

We three kings of orient are

Three Kings of Orient

The Gospel

Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After the wise men had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him." Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt, and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, "Out of Egypt I have called my son."

When Herod died, an angel of the Lord suddenly appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, "Get up, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who were seeking the child's life are dead." Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was ruling over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. And after being warned in a dream, he went away to the district of Galilee. There he made his home in a town called Nazareth, so that what had been spoken through the prophets might be fulfilled, "He will be called a Nazorean."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ

Sermon

The Rev. Canon Meaghan Kelly Brower

The people stand

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

BCP 387

The leader and people pray responsively

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially, **Bob S., James, Jackie, Joan, Larry, Miriam, Naved, Pam F., Rob & Sandra**, give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially Robert Walker & Virginia Beltz, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

The Confession

BCP 360

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Celebrant says the absolution.

The Peace

BCP 360

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Welcome & Announcements

The Offertory

The people remain seated as an offering to support the mission and ministry of the church is collected. If you would rather give online, you can give at www.TrinityNewport.org or scan the QR code on the right.



Offertory Anthem

There shall a star from Jacob

Mendelssohn

Presentation Hymn 127 (Verse 4&5)

Stuttgart

Please stand as the offering is brought forward.

Sacred gifts of mystic meaning:
incense doth their God disclose,
gold the King of kings proclaimeth,
myrrh his sepulcher foreshows.

Jesus, whom the Gentiles worshiped
at thy glad epiphany,
unto thee, with God the Father
and the Spirit, glory be.

HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

BCP 361

Celebrant *People*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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The Celebrant says the proper preface

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

Sanctus Holy, holy, holy Lord

Schubert

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, _____ Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, _____ hea - ven and earth are

full, _____ full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of five systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is B-flat major (two flats). The time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The piano accompaniment features chords and moving lines that support the vocal melody. There are several measures with rests in the vocal line, indicated by a horizontal line, suggesting a breath or a pause in the singing.

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Memorial Acclamation

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say

The Lords' Prayer

BCP 364

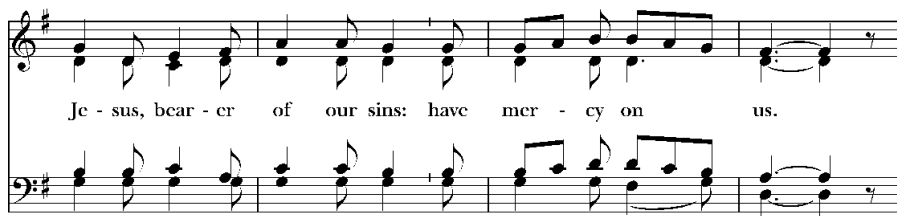
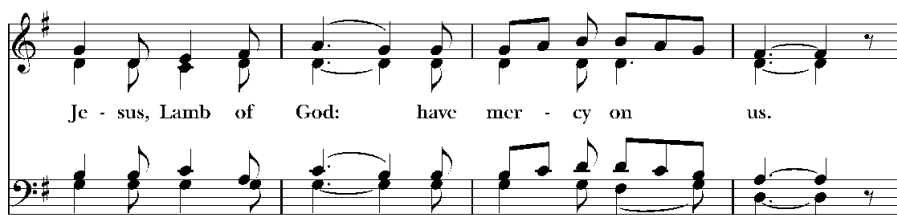
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The celebrant breaks the Bread

Agnus Dei

Schubert



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The Celebrant says

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts, by faith, with thanksgiving.

Please follow usher directions to the altar rail. If you are sitting in the balcony, come down whenever you wish to receive. If you are unable to come forward, communion can be brought to you in your pew, please just let your usher know.

Gluten-free wafers are available at the rail, just place your hand over your heart (like the Pledge of Allegiance). If you are not receiving, you are invited to come forward for a blessing (indicated by crossing your arms over your chest). If you wish to receive wine, you may either sip from the cup or dip (intinct) your bread carefully into the wine.

Communion Anthem	New Year's Carol	Benjamin Britten
Hymn 138	All Praise to you	Carlisle
Post Communion Prayer		BCP 365

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Hymn 119	As with gladness men of old	Dix
The Dismissal		BCP 366

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Our worship is now over, and our service in the world begins.

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Rector: The Rev. Canon Meaghan Kelly Brower

Co Music Director & Organist: Fredrick Jodry

Acolyte & Crucifer: Karen Nash

Lector & Intercessor: Chris Meyers

Ushers: Larry Pulice, John Gilmartin, Terry Abbott

Altar Society: Mary Sinnott, Jeanne Kelley, Helen Brennan, Candy Gilmartin,
Nancy Murray, Brad Carter

Coffee Hour: Marie & Brad Beebe

WEEKLY PRAYERS AND DEDICATIONS

This week we pray for: Eric, Joan, Jackie, Larry, Rosemary, Miriam, Naved, James, Sandra, Rob, Todd, Anita, Michael, Karen, Peter, Jackson, Laurie, Sara, Elizabeth, Susan, Robby, Leonard, Bob S., Lewis and Rosa. We pray also for those who have passed in recent days especially Robert Walker and Virginia Beltz. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we join the Bishop in prayer for the Church of the Epiphany, Rumford.

Give thanks this week for the life of Elizabeth Smith, Amelia K.H. Ober, Claiborne de Borda Pell, Edward DeAscentis, Beth Graham, Waldorf J. Clarke, Alberta C. Kazanjian, Martha Sulzby Hunnewell, Eric de Spirlet, Mabel Nalle, and Virginia Cecile Clarke, the faithful departed on the anniversary of their passing.

Give thanks this month for the birthdays of Maxton Moniz, Margot Green, Stan Brown, Patricia Fernandez, Anita Beaumont, Candy Gilmartin Molly Chamberlain, Helenmary Lauth, Fred Jodry, Dan Cordeiro, Debby Lengyel, Donna Ellis, Lily Berton, Cynthia O'Malley, Teryn Weintz, and Kaitlyn Lengyel.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join Us: The Celebration of New Ministry for the Rev. Canon Meaghan Kelly Brower will take place on the Epiphany, Tuesday, January 6, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. If you would like to help with the reception please see the sign up list in Honyman Hall.

Food Drive: Trinity is collecting food for Lucy's Hearth. A list with specific requests can be found at the rear of the church. For more information see this week's E-Tower.

Stewardship Campaign Update: Our stewardship team is happy to report 98 pledges so far with a total pledged of \$335,000. With 12 new pledges. If you have not yet pledged, we would be grateful for your participation. Pledge cards can be found in the back of the church or you can pledge online. Members of the stewardship team will be reaching out to people who haven't yet pledged in the coming weeks!

CHRISTMAS TOWER LIGHTINGS 2025

The tower will be lit to the glory of God and in loving memory of:

Jan. 4: Karen Hatch, *by Anne Hatch and Family*

Jan. 5: Mr. Arthur E. Clark and Mrs. Jeanne E. Clark, *by Jeffrey Clark*

Jan. 6: Patricia Lynn Pierce, *by Meaghan and Jonathan Brower*

Jan. 7: Anders Staats Nielsen, *by Ted and Sue Staats*

THIS WEEK AT TRINITY

Monday January 5: Community Meal 5 p.m.

Tuesday, January 6: Celebration of New Ministry, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, January 7: Healing Service and Eucharist, 12 p.m.

Men's Bible Study, 12 p.m.

Thursday, January 8: Choir Rehearsal, 7p.m.

Sunday, January 11: Worship Services: 8 & 10 a.m.

Bible Study in the Glenn Family Center, 9 a.m.

Sunday School 10 a.m., Teen Program 9 a.m.

Holy Eucharist, 10a.m.

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